

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KINGSTON 4516

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BBSR, JM

SUBJECT: WTDR/FTI COPTIC CONTAINERS LIMITED

REF: A. KINGSTON 4469, B. USDOC 16707

1. REFTTEL A PROVIDED WTDR INFORMATION ON SUBJECT FIRM. DATA PROVIDED IS ACCURATE INsofar AS IT GOES BUT COMMERCE SHOULD ALSO BE AWARE THAT THIS COMPANY IS UNDER INVESTIGATION BY BOTH U.S. DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION (DEA) AND VARIOUS JAMAICAN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN CONNECTION NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING. SEVERAL VERY LARGE QUANTITIES OF MARIJUANA HAVE ALREADY BEEN SEIZED ON THEIR PROPERTIES IN JAMAICA. THERE IS STRONG EVIDENCE TO SUGGEST THAT NARCOTICS ARE BEING SHIPPED IN COMPANY CONTAINERS TO U.S. AND POSSIBLY OTHER POINTS.

2. THERE ALSO IS CONSIDERABLE EVIDENCE TO EFFECT COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS OF COPTIC CONTAINERS ARE PRIMARILY A COVER FOR NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING. THIS POSES THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE FIRM AT SOME POINT MAY BE PUT OUT OF BUSINESS BY LEGAL ACTION EITHER HERE OR IN THE U.S.

3. UNFORTUNATELY ABOVE INFORMATION IS EXTREMELY  
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SENSITIVE AND CANNOT BE CONVEYED TO WHOMEVER MAY HAVE

INQUIRED ABOUT THIS FIRM.

4. REFTEL AND THIS MESSAGE PASSED TO DEA SAIC.  
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